

Roosevelt In Darkest Africa

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Jungle Association Decides on Protective Auxiliary for Only Living Ex-President's Visit.

Supreme Strenuousness Test in Search for Wild Bongo as Well as Elephant, Rhino, Hippo, Lion, Tiger, etc.—Erring Aim Means Gravest Peril When Beasts Are Corralled—Cost of Expedition About \$15,000—Over 100 Men Needed for Expedition.

Roosevelt must fire. If his aim is any reason fails, it's time to climb trees. For experts point out that just at that moment when the bullet falls of its mission, the savage male will charge.

Hunting the rhinoceros takes a little more science than that which is needed for the lion in African jungles. The rhino is more savage when wounded and as cunning a

THIS meeting will please come to order," roared King Leo, rapping for order upon Vice-President Jumbo's head.

"This executive committee has summoned the members of the East African Jungle association, post haste, to assemble here for the purpose of organizing the Theodore



Roosevelt Protective auxiliary," continued the chairman.

The giraffe was on his feet in an instant, demanding recognition with both hind feet and his neck.

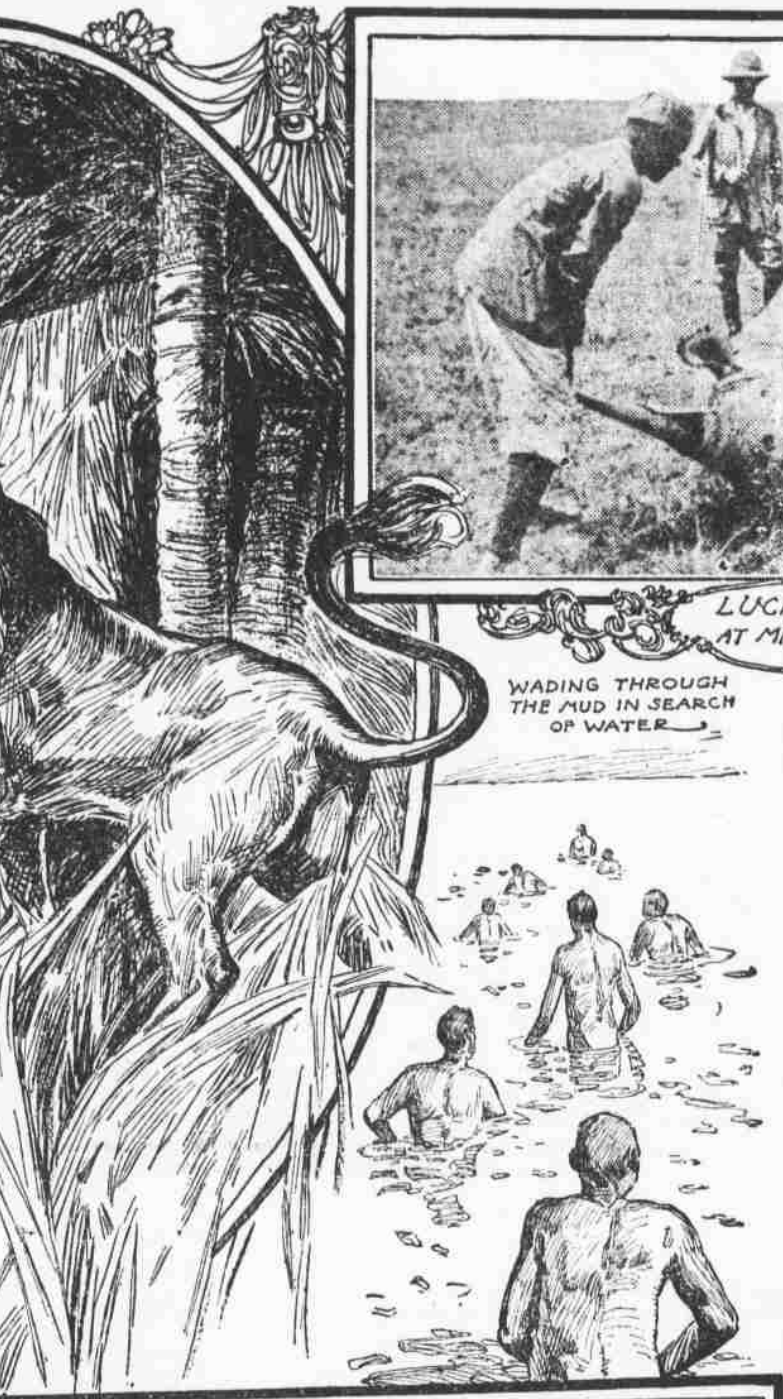
"What? Protect Roosevelt? You go—'Sit down!' again roared King Leo. 'The gentleman from the tall pines will please not get so florid.' Then turning his back upon the giraffe, he continued: 'The object of the auxiliary will be to afford as much security for the members of this society as may be obtained by cautionary measures within our commonwealth. The motion having been made, I find that the majority are in favor, therefore I declare it adopted. Following are the officers of the auxiliary: Leo, chairman; Bongo, secretary; and Stripes, chairman of the committee on predatory privilege. The chairman of the auxiliary will report resolutions March 4, 1909. Until that time we stand adjourned.'"

Dr. Monk, who had been kidding Sergeant-at-Arms Rhino, official bouncer, because the latter had just begun to see a joke which the former told at a previous meeting, had darted into the sheltering branches of a coconut palm but was compelled to return upon feeling the giraffe chewing at his tail. The latter having mistaken Mr. Monk's tail for a coconut leaf, cleverly changed the subject by introducing the Roosevelt question again.

"Say, old man, I don't know whether this auxiliary is just the best thing with election coming on. Supposing the jungle guards should be called out during the primaries. Where would we get off at? You see that auxiliary list of officials is with the opposition and it'll be just like them to call out our voting strength to trawl the ex-president. I know how it is in my precinct, and I guess you know where the Congo river bunch stand. Well, so long, Doc. Don't throw any mushy cocoanuts at Theodore if he sees you first."

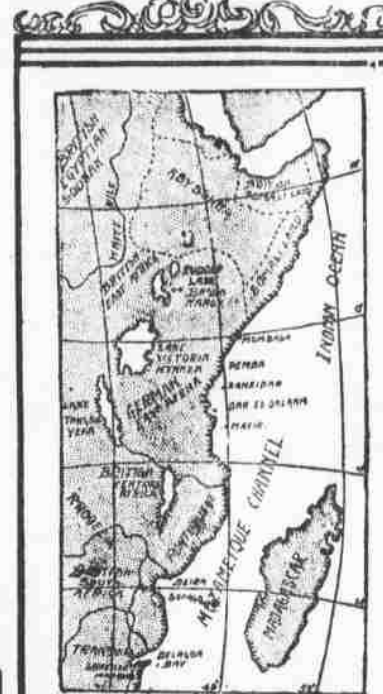
The habits of the jungle disbanded and went their ways, the party in power determined that the only living ex-president, when he became such, should not get the upper hand when he made his visit to Africa in search of game and the opposing minority determined to keep one eye on Roosevelt and the other on King Leo's bunch.

After shooting in the canebreaks of Louisiana or trailing Bruin in the Rockies is tame sport alongside of that which Theodore Roosevelt will find in East Africa when he goes there after his term of office expires. It will be necessary to take over 100 men on the hunting expedition, if he goes after all the big game to be found, and, judging from what the cartoonists say about him, it will be his purpose to deplete the fastnesses of the dark continent to the greatest possible extent. How will he



WADING THROUGH THE MUD IN SEARCH OF WATER.

LUCKY SHOT AT MR. RHINO



the cleverest of beasts. The ones we see with circuses look as if they couldn't run fast or far. Perhaps they can't, but the one who is disturbed in his lair is declared to be the fastest thing afoot. The shot which is meant to kill the big brute must be placed just behind the shoulder. For there the skin is exceptionally soft and the bullet will pierce his heart. Hunters say the safest precaution against disaster is to hit rhino there first. The same precaution holds true in the case of the elephant and hippo. Both are tough-skinned animals and terribly ferocious when cornered. His prey having been killed, the aides with the president will set to work to skin the beasts.

But the most sought animal is the bongo, after which every African hunter is keen. It's the rarest animal of the dark continent. According to one wealthy European, the market price for a single specimen is \$6,000. The bongo is wilder and more timid than the American deer.

The great continent of Africa for centuries has held civilized peoples in a hypnotic state. It simply teems with mysteries and to get at the bottom of these, thousands of lives have been snuffed out by wild beasts, natural formations of the country and the novelties as well. Statistics, gathered between the years of 1801 and 1876, have it that over one-third of the works of fiction of those generations were based on the darkest continent.

Arabs, Portuguese, Dutch, French, Teutons and Britons have held sway in that order in the most populated parts of Africa. French, Dutch, Germans and English are still prevalent there and evidences of the subjects of Portugal and the wandering Arabs are still to be found in the style of building, customs and costumes.

The classics of Livingstone, Speke and Stanley tell us what it was once like and now we are to have a present-day rehearsal by Roosevelt himself. Africa confronts the traveler with the grandest, most mysterious, most difficult touring proposition that is to be found the world over.

big with pleasure at being interrogated. "Ma big braver sings in an hoons along Seventh avenue. We're jes' practicin' now. Does yo' tink yo' ken get us a real engagement?"

The boys made no attempt to take a collection. They said their names were Willy Johnson, age 16; Joe Miller, age 14, and Phil Anderson, age 14. Miller is the manager. He says he will book his juvenile trio for local appearances from his parents' home, 302 West Fortieth street. "New York Times."

BRYAN IS NOTIFIED OF HIS NOMINATION

REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS ALIKE UNITE IN THE RECEPTION.

GREATEST DAY IN HISTORY OF NEBRASKA CAPITAL

Clayton of Alabama Made Notification Speech—Immediately After the Speeches a Reception To the Two Candidates Was Held.

Lincoln, Aug. 12.—As gently as possible, considering that some 20,000 people were concerned in breaking the news, Wm. J. Bryan was Wednesday informed that he is a candidate for the presidency of the United States. He did not decline to be it.

This is the greatest day in the history of the Nebraska capital. Its foremost citizens—Republicans and Democrats alike—united in the reception to Bryan, Wednesday, in the midst of men and women who sent him to the halls of congress to raise his voice for their interests. William Jennings Bryan was commissioned to lead the hosts of the party of Jefferson, Jackson and Cleveland. All states rejoiced with Nebraska.

There was no mistaking the satisfaction that every citizen of Nebraska, without regard to political affiliations, felt over the honor paid Bryan here.

Grouped on a broad platform beside the capitol building were Republicans and Democrats alike, the Republican state officials brushing elbows with the Democratic chieftains, all wearing smiles of appreciation.

Before the first streaks of dawn there was bustle on the streets. Workmen were busy trying to repair the ravages of the rain of Tuesday night, which had left the bunting in a bedraggled condition.

Bryan remained at his home during the early hours. He was in consultation with National Chairman Norman E. Mack and other party leaders, and had requested that he be permitted to remain at his residence until the latest possible moment.

Every arrangement had been made by Mayor Brown and the committee on arrangements to care for the crowds. There was but little confusion. More than 100 extra police had been sworn in. The men, women and children who blocked the streets were unusually good-natured, and responded readily to the suggestions of the guardians of the peace.

The members of the committee on notification were the guests of Lincoln's Commercial club at breakfast at Lincoln hotel. Shortly afterward Bryan and Kern arrived at the Lincoln hotel and held an impromptu reception. It had been decided that there would be no parade of marching clubs. The candidates and the committee, however, proceeded in a body to the capitol grounds. The entire police force of the city, mounted, led the way. In behind came the Nebraska state band, discoursing patriotic airs, while following them came Marshal E. M. Westervelt and a score of mounted aides, all sporting big purple badges, from which dangled pictures of the "Boy Orator of the Platte."

Then came the candidates. Seated in the third carriage, their hands uncovered for the most time in recognition of the continuous applause with which their appearance was greeted, were the Democratic candidates for president and vice president, W. J. Bryan and John Worth Kern; Chairman of the National Committee Norman E. Mack, of Buffalo, and Congressman Henry D. Clayton, of Alabama.

The delegation proceeded through the principal streets of the city to the capitol grounds. There the procession halted while the members of the committee alighted and passed through the north entrance into the building, the mayor leading the way, with National Chairman Mack and the candidates immediately behind.

National Chairman Norman E. Mack called the meeting to order. He referred to the importance of the occasion, and introduced Rev. Father Nugent, who offered the invocation. Chairman of the Committee Henry D. Clayton was then introduced and made the notification speech.

Bryan listened attentively to the notification speech, and at once began his reply.

Immediately after the speeches a reception to the two candidates was held in the capitol building. They stood side by side and shook hands with thousands of politicians, who were introduced to them by Mayor Brown and the members of the committee. When the reception was terminated the members of the committee, Mayor Brown, the governor and a number of invited guests went to the Bryan home, at Fairview, where they were the guests of the Bryans.

Cyclist Hurt.
Paterson, N. J., Aug. 13.—Bob Schultz, the professional motor cyclist, was hurled from his machine and badly injured at the start of a three-mile race Wednesday in the Clinton stadium.

Error Killed Four.
Sonderburg, Germany, Aug. 13.—Four sailors of the German navy were drowned here in a "man overboard" drill through a mistake in the transmission of an order on the cruiser Undine.

Japan and China Again at Odds.
London, Aug. 13.—Another cloud has arisen between China and Japan, according to a special dispatch received here from Hong Kong, owing to the seizure at Chinchon by the Chinese authorities of a steamer having on board rifles and cartridges.

Father of 35 Files Suit For Divorce.
Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 13.—Married the second time, father of 26 children, of which 27 were by his second wife, whom he married in 1884, Peter Brown filed suit for divorce against his wife, alleging statutory grounds.

HERE AND THERE

Latest News From Various Points in Ohio.

CAMDEN GIRL

Who Lost Her Golden Tresses Can Throw No Light on the Outrage.

Hamilton, O.—The village of Camden is terribly worked up over the treatment Miss Ruth Lou, a handsome young miss of 16, received at the hands of two masked men, who chloroformed her and cut off her rich golden tresses.

Her condition was discovered when Miss Lou did not appear for breakfast, and her mother found her lying unconscious on the bed.

On arousing from her stupor Miss Lou told her harrowing experience to her parent, saying:

"I awoke about midnight to find two masked men in my room. Each carried a revolver, and while one held his pistol at my head, the other seized me by the shoulders and pressed a handkerchief to my nostrils. After that I sank into unconsciousness."

The Lou family is among the most prominent in the village, and their daughter had a number of admirers. The authorities are at a loss for a clue.

CARS NEED NOT BE PAINTED,
But Law Requires That "Gasoline" Must Be Stenciled on Receptacles.

Columbus, O.—Attracted by the report from Stryker and other small cities in Northern Ohio that an impostor has been going about under the guise of a state official and painting cans used for holding gasoline, an inspection was made at the capitol of the law under which he pretends to be operating. This resulted in the uncovering of the fact that there is really no statute compelling the painting of these vessels red. Instead there is a requirement that they must be stenciled with the words "gasoline," "naphtha" or "benzine," according to the use to which they are put.

Thrasher Did It.
Versailles, O.—Job Armstrong pulled his thrashing machine into the barn of Lewis Householder, nine miles west of here, and during the night the barn caught fire from the engine and was burned, with its contents. All the outbuildings were also destroyed. Householder's estimated loss is \$3,000, partly insured.

Veterans Meet in Clermont.
Batavia, O.—The Clermont County G. A. R. held an encampment at the Bantam fair grounds. The Rev. Herbert Ketchum, of Cincinnati, one of the speakers, declared that the negro had been given the right to vote too soon after the war, and that unrestricted immigration is a menace to the country.

Gambling Paraphernalia Burned.
Lima, O.—A pile of ashes at the Central police station in this city is a silent proof that gambling in at least three resorts is at an end. Two van loads of gambling paraphernalia, valued at \$5,000, were captured in the raid, when a score of gamblers were caught.

\$13 For Magnate.
Akron, O.—Ohio C. Barber, the millionaire match king, is entitled to \$13 from the state through Senator Hayes' bill passed last winter. Barber and a number of other prominent men were members of the "Squirrel Hunters," who rendered service to the state 41 years ago.

Strike Threatened.
Zanesville, O.—It is said that all the miners of the Zanesville-Crooksville district, numbering about 600 men, will go on a strike because of the inability of the scale committee of operators and miners to reach an agreement, being now in their third deadlock.

Riders Are Suspected.
Ripley, O.—New Cox, a tenant on F. X. German's farm, near here, lost two horses, six hogs and two calves by poisoning. He had pooled his share of the 1907 crop of burley tobacco and then sold it to outsiders. The night riders are suspected.

Murderer Cuts Throat.
Columbus, O.—John Truss, a negro, who killed Mrs. Minnie Green here by cutting her throat, was caught nine miles from Delaware. He was concealed in a hut, and when the officers went to get him he pulled a razor and slashed his throat.

Rewards Divorced Wife.
Sandusky, O.—John McDougall, a bridge builder, of Johnson City, Tenn., and Mrs. Florence McDougall, who, since she was divorced from McDougall three years ago has been teaching school at North Monroeville, O., were remarried here.

Cut Negress' Throat.
Columbus, O.—Jealous because of her attentions to another man, John Truss, a negro, cut the throat of Mollie Green, a negress, shortly after midnight and made his escape. The woman died instantly.

Emery Wheel Burst.
Newark, O.—Vangele Dumitri, aged 22 years, a Turk, employed at the Wehrle foundry, was instantly killed by the bursting of an emery wheel, a large chunk of which crushed his skull.

Girls Form Bucket Brigade.
Delaware, O.—A hundred girls, inmates of the Girls' Industrial home here, formed a bucket brigade and saved No. 3 cottage from total destruction by fire. About \$1,500 damage was done the building. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Unlucky 13.
Findlay, O.—Franklin avenue is one of the shortest streets in Findlay. There are but 18 families living on the avenue, but regardless of that it has been productive of 13 infants in five years. There are two "sets" of twins.

DEEP MYSTERY

Surrounds the Tragedy That Wiped Out Two Lives.

Loudonville, O.—M. B. Stein, 23, of Des Moines, Ia., and Miss Hester Porter, 50, of Loudonville, his mother-in-law's sister, are dead as a result of a mysterious tragedy at Miss Porter's home. It is believed that Stein shot Miss Porter and then turned the revolver upon himself, although no motive can be imagined.

Stein's wife and her mother have been visiting here for two weeks and he arriving on the first anniversary of his wedding. He had never been here before and never had seen Miss Porter. Shortly after the noon meal Stein and Miss Porter went into another room, and Mrs. Stein and her mother heard three shots fired. Investigation showed the bodies of Miss Porter and Stein lying on the floor a few feet apart, she with two wounds and he with one, each having been shot in the back of the head. A revolver lay on the floor between them. Both died, neither having regained consciousness.

LIMA CHOSEN

For Next Meeting of Ohio Rural Mail Carriers—Officers Chosen.

Zanesville, O.—The convention of the State Association of Ohio Rural Mail Carriers adjourned to meet next year at Lima.

Officers were elected as follows: President, H. H. Collins, Zanesville; vice president, J. B. Gish, Rittman; Wayne county, O.; secretary, L. J. Steinbrecker, Mt. Healthy, Hamilton county; treasurer, C. S. Duer, Andover, Ashtabula county.

Delegates to the national convention at Omaha: J. D. Stedden, Lebanon; W. H. Johnson, St. Paris, and L. J. Steinbrecker.

Democrats Select Date.

Columbus, O.—At a meeting of the democratic state executive committee Mansfield was selected as the place and September 26 as the date of the opening of the state campaign. Judson Harmon, of Cincinnati, the nominee for governor and former Gov. Jas. E. Campbell, of Hamilton, endorsed by the state convention for United States senator, will be the chief orators at the opening.

Lost Check Returned.

Marysville, O.—John T. Smitzer, of Marysville, sent a check to his mother at Chicago for \$940. The check was lost on the road to the bank in Chicago. It was picked up by an honest person, placed in an envelope and mailed to the Bank of Marysville on which it was drawn. Smitzer was notified, endorsed the check and again sent it on his mission.

Discharged Employees Seek Revenge.
Dayton, O.—Tony Simon, formerly employed at the county infirmary, but who was discharged, entered the courthouse and attempted to whip infirmary Director John Platt, aged, but well-nursed from his experience as a blacksmith. The trouble continued until Court Bailiff Cressler intervened and the disturber was ejected. Simon was locked up.

Driver Hurt.

Athens, O.—At the fair races Jas. Moser, an owner from New York, was probably fatally crushed by his horse falling on him, breaking three ribs and the collar bone. M. G. Cole, of Gullipolis, was badly hurt. Numerous accidents have happened on the grounds.

Maimed For Life.

Findlay, O.—While mowing weeds Harley Rader, of McComb, ran upon his two-year-old son, who was lying in the path of the cutter bars of the machine. He was frightfully cut about the face and arms, but he will survive, though maimed for life.

Boat Capsized; One Drowned.

Freemont, O.—Edward Lucas, 70, was drowned in the Sandusky river by the capsizing of a naphtha launch containing Lucas and five other men. The boat overturned easily when several of the party started to rock the craft in deep water.

Message Told of Death.

Bellevue, O.—Just as Mrs. J. H. Hill, of this city, was preparing to attend a reunion of all the children on the occasion of her mother's 75th birthday she received a message telling of her death. The funeral will be held on her birthday.

Will Move to Cincinnati.

Zanesville, O.—Announcement was made that the Pinkerton Tobacco Co. of this city, will move to Cincinnati. The company manufactures scrap tobacco. Its Cincinnati factory will have an output of 5,000,000 pounds a year.

Murdered Infant Found.

Sandusky, O.—The dead body of a male child, evidently strangled at birth, was found by boys at the mouth of Whiskey Run. There was a string around the neck to which a stone was tied. The coroner is investigating.

Col. S. F. Gray Dead.

Findlay, O.—Col. Samuel F. Gray, 75, died in Indianapolis, Ind. He is survived by a widow and three children. He was the last surviving commander of Gen. Bill Gibson's famous old 49th O. V. I. He organized Company C.

Woman's Head in Lake.

Cleveland, O.—The head of a woman, evidently 40 years of age, was found floating in the lake, near the breakwater. The features were well preserved. Foul play is suspected. The police have begun an investigation.

Decision on Auto Law.

Columbus, O.—In an opinion rendered to the secretary of state the attorney general holds that suits for damages under the automobile law may be brought in the county in which the person suffering the damage resides.

NEGRO BOYS WERE PRACTICIN'

But Their Songs Pleased a Crowd Near Times Square.

Three ragged negro boys recently treated an audience of stage carpenters, garage loungers and passing business men on the steps of the Metropolitan opera house to a repertoire of negro songs, many of which, to the listeners at least, were quite new,

fresh, apparently, from the colored amusement halls of Seventh avenue and Thirty-ninth street.

"Oh! Ma Pretty Lu" was the first song. Afterward the boys sang "Bon Bon Buddy," the "Chocolate Drop," "Chop Suey," "Last Hours," "Sweet Adeline," and "Ah've Been Dreamin' of You." Their clear voices echoed back from the dingy yellow walls of the opera house and could be heard

for half a block through busy West Thirty-ninth street. Stage carpenters stopped carrying for a few minutes the big planks with which they are repairing the opera house stage. Masons put down for a while the heavy chisels with which they were breaking up the cracked cement sidewalk. The automobile crowd took their shoulders from the door posts of the opposite garage and drifted across the street. "We're jes' t'ree little cullud boys, an' we want a chance to make some money like ma big brudder," explained one of the singers, his eyes growing

big with pleasure at being interrogated. "Ma big brudder sings in an hoons along Seventh avenue. We're jes' practicin' now. Does yo' tink yo' ken get us a real engagement?"